

BY: Senator AKSHAR

MOURNING the death of Louis R. Ligouri, distinguished citizen and devoted member of his community

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to citizens of the State of New York whose lifework and civic endeavor served to enhance the quality of life in their communities and this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Louis R. Ligouri of Endicott, New York, died on Thursday, July 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, A lifelong resident of Broome County, Louis R. Ligouri was born and raised in Endicott; he graduated from SUNY Binghamton (now Binghamton University) with a master's degree in Management Science; and

WHEREAS, Louis R. Ligouri distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; and

WHEREAS, For 25 years, Louis R. Ligouri worked for The Prudential Insurance Company as a representative, sales manager, and general manager; he also worked in the financial services department of BSB Bank & Trust for five years before becoming the co-Founder and Executive Director of the Endicott Performing Arts Center (EPAC); and

WHEREAS, Louis R. Ligouri's commitment to excellence, and his spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise, including charitable and civic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Louis R. Ligouri was involved in the performing arts as both a performer and a producer for many years; in addition to the EPAC Repertory Company, he appeared with many other local theater companies including the St. Anthony Players, SRO Productions, and the Ballet Arts Theatre; and

WHEREAS, Some of his performance credits include "Fiddler on the Roof" (Tevye), "Tommy" (Uncle Ernie), "Jesus Christ Superstar" (Ciaphas) and "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" (Senex); and

WHEREAS, In 2010, Louis R. Ligouri was the recipient of the Heart of the Arts Award for making a significant impact on and contributing to the arts in Broome County; and

WHEREAS, Together with Artistic Director Patrick Foti, Louis R. Ligouri helped produce hundreds of shows at EPAC since its inception in 1998; they also founded one of the first children's theater workshops in the area in 1996, the St. Anthony Players Youth Troupe; and

WHEREAS, Predeceased by his parents, Ray and Rose (Quaranta)

Ligouri, and his brother, Armando Ligouri, Louis R. Ligouri is survived by his wife, Tracy "TJ" (Johnson); daughter, Heather (Dan) Esposito; son, Lou Jr. (Kelly) Ligouri; three grandchildren, Sam, Eli and Lily; sister-in-law, Diana Ligouri; and one brother, Anthony (Mary) Ligouri; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Louis R. Ligouri leaves behind a legacy which will long endure the passage of time and will remain as a comforting memory to all he served and befriended; he will be deeply missed and truly merits the grateful tribute of this Legislative Body; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the death of Louis R. Ligouri, and to express its deepest condolences to his family; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Louis R. Ligouri.